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TAGS: PGOV SREF HA BF

SUBJ: ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS: AMNESTY ENDS QUIETLY

REF: NASSAU 1097

ON JULY 3, GCOB AMNESTY PERIOD FOR REGISTRATION OF VOLUNTARY  
DEPARTURE OF ALL ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS IN THE BAHAMAS ENDED. NO  
REPORTS OF IMMINENT ROUND-UP OF ILLEGALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED.  
BAHAMIAN IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ARE SLOWLY SIFTING THROUGH THE  
PILES OF DOCUMENTATION SUBMITTED BY THOSE ILLEGALS SEEKING  
GCOB-PAID REPATRIATION OR REGULARIZATION OF THEIR STATUS AS  
RESIDENTS. IT IS ESTIMATED THAT OVER 10,000 ILLEGALS REGIS-  
TERED DURING THE FOUR-WEEK AMNESTY PERIOD. HOME AFFAIRS PERMA-  
NENT SECRETARY HAS BEEN QUOTED AS SAYING THAT GCOB REALIZES  
THAT MOST HAITIAN ILLEGALS ARE VICTIMS OF "SLAVE-TRADERS" IN  
HAITI AND WERE PROBABLY IGNORANT OF CONSEQUENCES OF THEIR  
ILLEGAL ENTRY INTO THE BAHAMAS; THIS MIRRORS REASONABLE LINE  
EXPRESSED TO EMBOFFS BY MINISTER ROLLE. BEGINNING OF ROUND-  
UPS AND REPATRIATION OF ILLEGALS IS NOT EXPECTED BEFORE AUGUST  
1 AT EARLIEST.

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